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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS: CASE OF DR. JUAN JOSE ORMAECHEA
REF: A) STATE 282030 B. MONTEVIDEO TRANSMITTAL SLIP, SEPT 19, 1977
C) DEPARTMENT LETTER TO MONTEVIDEO DATED OCT 7, 1977

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1. THE CASE OF DR. JUAN JOSE ORMAECHEA WAS PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED TO THE GOU THROUGH THE OFFICIAL INFORMAL CHANNEL WITH THE FOLLOWING RECENT REPLY PROVIDED BY COL. CAMPS:
A) SUBJECT WAS INDICTED ON FEB 16, 1976 ON CHARGES OF "SUBVERSIVE ASSOCIATION," UNDER THE MILITARY PENAL CODE. (NOTE: THIS IS A CATCH-ALL CHARGE WHICH MAKES MEMBERSHIP IN CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS ILLEGAL, REGARDLESS OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S ACTIVITY IN IT.) NO FINAL SENTENCE HAS BEEN HANDED DOWN YET, BUT IT COULD RANGE FROM THREE TO EIGHTEEN YEARS.
B) CURRENTLY SUBJECT IS DETAINED IN LA LIBERTAD PRISON IN THE TOWN OF LIBERTAD.
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C) ALTHOUGH NO INFORMATION ON SUBJECT'S HEALTH WAS FORTHCOMING, IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING WITH COL. CAMPS THAT THIS INDICATES THAT HE IS IN SATISFACTORY CONDITION.
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